

# **Utah's Legislators Back to School**

-a year round civic education program-

## Supplemental Materials from NCSL

#### Legislators:

Talking Points Card. This laminated card provides messages and suggested classroom activities for all grade levels.

#### Parents or College Students:



Your Ideas Count! Representative Democracy and You. This booklet, **geared for adults**, challenges readers to think about how they feel about our system of government and how representative democracy relates to them. This booklet is also appropriate for seniors in high school.

#### **High School:**



Your Ideas Count! inTime magazine. Published by Time magazine for **high school students**, explores myths and realities about American democracy and challenges students to get involved. Copies on hand, no longer printed.



Your Ideas Count! Questions and Answers about Representative Democracy Explains to **younger high school** students that disagreement is a natural part of the legislative process, that debate, negotiation and compromise are necessary, and that students' chances of being heard are better when they join with a group of people who share their views. (Also available in Spanish) Copies on hand, no longer printed.

#### Middle/Junior High School:



You Rule! Tells young people in **middle and jr. high school** that citizens really do rule in our system of democracy; that students can have a voice and that government does impact our lives.



You Rule! Follows four students as they discover how, in American democracy, citizens really do rule and young people have a voice. Great DVD for **middle and jr. high school students**!

### **Elementary School:**



Your Ideas Count!, TFK Extra! Tells **4th - 6th graders** about representative democracy, how laws affect their lives and shows them that legislators are real people.



Citizen Brain. This 15-minute, fun-filled video with live action and animation is geared for **4th - 6th graders**.



Your Ideas Count! TFK Extra! This fun-filled supplement for **2nd - 3rd graders**, helps them understand some very basic ideas about America's system of government.

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